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1. On 26 January 1955, no military motor traffic and no soldiers were observed at the former Park Hotel at 10 Barpa Square in Budapest. Several women who carried babies or infants entered or left this building whose entrance was guarded by a civilian doorman. It was believed that the former Park Hotel was used as a mothers' or children's home. The buildings at 21 and 29 Mester Street displayed not the slightest indication of military occupation. The two-story building No. 46 on the northeast side of Mester Street was guarded by a sentry who wore dark-gray green service color and crossed-hammer-and-vice insignia. No other soldiers or motor vehicles were observed.

2. On 27 January 1955, about 100 soldiers whose service color remained undetermined due to the foggy weather were observed in the area of the Palffy Barracks at 11 Hungaria Street in Budapest. The sentry at the entrance, where the imprints of motor vehicles were observed, wore red service color and AAA insignia and carried a submachine gun. At about 1600, a group of about 50 officers, including a captain, senior lieutenants, lieutenants and junior lieutenants, left the installation. The officers, most of whom went to the nearest streetcar stop, wore light-green service color with infantry insignia, red service color with artillery and AAA insignia, blue service color with tank insignia, and brown service color with motor-transport insignia. The Gabor Aron Barracks, formerly G. Andassy Barracks, at 7-9 Hungaria Street which adjoined the Palffy Barracks to the south was guarded by a sentry who carried a submachine gun and wore red service color with arm insignia which apparently consisted only of two crossed barrels. About 90 soldiers moved about the area of this installation, at whose entrance tire prints caused by motor vehicles were observed. At about 1600, some 30 senior lieutenants, lieutenants, and junior lieutenants who belonged to infantry, artillery and motor-transport units came from the installation and proceeded to the nearest streetcar stop.

1. Comment. The corps headquarters of the XIth Mech Corps has been until now assumed to be in the former Park Hotel. The construction of the building at 46 Mester Street is unchanged.
2. Comment. The war college has been until now assumed to be in the Palffy Barracks. The Gabor Aron Barracks houses the "Sam Szent" AAA officers' school.

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